

STRUCK BY A CYCLONE.

MANY LIVES LOST IN GEORGIA.

BUILDINGS BLOWN TO ATOMS—HUGE HAILSTORMS—SCENES AND INCIDENTS.

MACON, Ga., Feb. 20.—This city was visited yesterday afternoon and last night by tremendous storms. The character of the disturbances indicated a cyclone. A correspondent of *The Telegraph* at Atlanta reports fifty killed north of that city. A dispatch from Columbus reports the destruction of the Central Railroad round-house and engines, entailing a loss of \$15,000. Several persons were killed and wounded.

The storm was terrible in this region. *The Telegraph* received a box of hailstones from Indian Springs, some being three inches long and one and a half inches thick, others weighing two and a half ounces. Many houses at that place were ruined, and many persons were wounded but no deaths have been reported.

The house of W. A. Miller, at Blountsville, Jones County, twenty miles from Macon, was blown to atoms. His wife and three children were killed, and the baby was blown away and has not yet been found. The bodies of the dead were found 200 to 300 rods distant from the site of the house. Six negroes were killed in the same plantation, and a young man was dangerously wounded. The wife of Dr. Butler heard the cyclone coming and remembering that the corner of the house nearest the storm was the safest. She crouched there with her babies and two little negroes. The house was swept away except a few timbers behind which the party crouched safely.

TELEGRAPH WIRES DOWN—CATTLE PERISH.

The store of Jerry Smith, six miles from Clinton, Jones County, was blown away. A man named Finney who was in it was fatally injured. The Central train from Davison this morning brought wounded men here who report that the town was swept, and that many were wounded, but no deaths are reported. The wires are down in many places, and it is difficult to obtain news of the storm. The storm followed the old cyclone track, differing from others in breaking up into several independent storm centers.

Much live stock perished in Columbia County, where stables were destroyed.

At Carmel, Warren County, the horses of Stephen Kiesley, Miss Gwynne, and Stephen Amers were blown down, and Mr. Amers' children killed. The storm reached Augustan 9 p.m.

BLOWN AWAY LIKE DUST.

A DOZEN PEOPLE KILLED IN ALABAMA—DESTRUCTIVE TO PROPERTY.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 20.—A dispatch to *The Daily Age* from Leeds in the Catawba Valley, gives the following account: "A cyclone struck Leeds about 1:30 p.m., and swept away the section house of the railroad, killing Jefferson Ford, Daniel Cloud, Heribert Kelt, negroes, and seriously injuring an aged white couple named Bass, living near. Three miles south of Leeds the house of John Poole was blown away and a son of seventeen, and a daughter of six, and a child of a negro tenant of the place were instantly killed. Poole, his wife, and four other children were all badly injured. The home and premises of Dr. W. F. Wright, a surgeon contractor, were completely demolished. The body of his mother was found a hundred yards from the house, feet fully mangled and with the skull crushed. Annie age twenty, Jennie sixteen, Thomas eighteen, James fourteen, and Edward twelve, all children of Dr. Wright, were badly injured. In Gadsden and Gloucester, S. J., the situation was worse than ever before.

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ACROSS THE CAROLINAS.

CHURCH SPIRES LEVELLED—TWENTY PEOPLE SLAIN AT ROCKINGHAM, N. C.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 20.—A storm accompanied by high winds blew through the State line, last night. The roofs of the bank and many stores were torn off. The Catawba oil mill, the Baptist and Presbyterian churches, and many private dwellings were wholly or partially destroyed. Freight cars were blown from the tracks to the depot platform. The damage is estimated at \$50,000.

The storm was very violent at Charlotte, N. C., and the roof from Budle's foundry.

It is estimated that fifteen to twenty persons were killed at Rockingham, N. C., and a large number wounded. One entire family was slain. All business there has been suspended.

The cyclone struck the Carolina Central Railroad between Hamlet and Rockingham. The telegraph wire was cut, and reports have been received from few towns.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The fund for the Western flood sufferers has reached \$15,000. To-day \$1,000 was sent to Jeffersonville, Ind., \$500 to New-Albany, Ind., \$500 to Beloit and Pomeroy, Ohio.

NEWBERG, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Major Ward has issued a proclamation urging the townspeople and churchgoers to contribute for the relief of the sufferers by the Western floods.

AT NINETEEN-SIX, S. C., a house was blown down and a child killed.

The house of W. H. Shattock, near Phenix, Edgefield County, S. C., was blown down. The remains of his wife and Mr. Shattock's little daughter were burned to death.

In a dwelling-house of J. C. Hankinson and the store of J. S. Boyd, at Jackson, S. C., were blown down and three negroes were killed. The town of Millen, on the Georgia Central, was inundated, destroyed and partially occupied. The telegraph wires are down and the mails are irregular, and only negro particulars can be obtained.

A WHOLE VILLAGE RADED.

The most terrible destruction caused by the storm was at a settlement called Philadelphia, two miles from Rockingham on the Carolina Central Railroad. The settlement contained about twenty-five houses. Every one of them was razed to the ground. This morning a party of men began a search of the ruins for bodies, and within a short time eleven had been recovered, three white and eight colored men. One white man, named John Dakin, was found with a piece of splintered timber through his abdomen as large as a man's leg. All the bodies were badly mutilated. The bodies were placed in wagons and carried to Rockingham, when the woman returned to the scene for more bodies, as it was known that others were in the ruins. The wagon did not return with its second load, and the train left this evening, and the telegraph wires being down further particulars cannot be obtained.

A TENNESSEE TOWN SWEEPED.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 20.—Clarksville was visited yesterday by two destructive gales about two hours apart which swept through the central part of the city, leveling many houses and doing serious damage to hundreds of buildings. Two churches were nearly blown down, two towers taken off the court house, one end blown out of the Franklin Hotel, and much other destruction done. Many persons were seriously injured in falling houses, but none killed outright. The roof of the *Telegraph* office, rafters and all, was blown off, carried over Eider's Opera House, and driven through a house two blocks beyond. Every telephone and telegraph wire was prostrated and trains delayed.

TORRENTS OF RAIN IN VIRGINIA.

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 20.—A tremendous thunder storm burst over this city and vicinity about midnight last night, and continued until an early hour this morning. The storm was followed by an immense rainfall and a heavy gale of wind. All the streets are greatly swollen. A number of stone bridges were washed away. The Roanoke River, near Weidom, North Carolina, is 22 feet above low water mark, and still rising.

DISASTERS ON THE OHIO.

CAIRO, Feb. 20.—The storm yesterday did no damage here, although the velocity of the wind at one time was thirty miles an hour. At Metropolis it blew down about forty houses, including one church. Several persons were injured, but as far

as can be learned none were fatally hurt. Among the injured is Captain J. C. Willis, who had a leg broken. It was also reported that several persons were supposed to have been lost from boats and ships, but the report is not substantiated.

KENTUCKY ALSO SUFFERS.

BUILDINGS DESTROYED AT PADUCAH AND FRANKLIN.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 20.—A terrific gale at Paducah, Ky., last evening blew down Chess, Carley & Co.'s oil house, and two tobacco warehouses containing 300 hogsheads of tobacco.

Frankfort was also visited by a tornado yesterday evening. A large tobacco factory owned by New York men was blown down. The Boileau Hotel and the Opera House and other buildings were unroofed.

MISSISSIPPI HOUSES PROSTRATED.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to *The Times-Democrat* from Columbus, Miss., says: "A severe tornado passed through the lower portion of this county yesterday, doing great damage to houses and dwellings—some plantations—not a single house was left standing. It is reported that one life was lost and many persons wounded."

THE DEVASTATING WATERS.

RESCUED FROM THE TREES.

THE TOWN OF FAIRPLAY OBLITERATED—GREAT SUFFERING FROM COLD.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 20.—One of the rebels boats arrived from below this afternoon. She reports terrible scenes of desolation, but no loss of life, as far as could be ascertained. It is estimated that within fifteen miles of Evansville fifty or more houses have been washed away. The town of Fairplay, consisting of fifteen houses, was entirely swept away. Many persons were taken from trees and hills, some badly broached, and all greatly exhausted, and brought here for treatment. The river is falling slowly. A gale sprang up yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock and blew almost a hurricane from the northwest. The weather is growing cold and a snowstorm prevails, with no signs of the wind abating.

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